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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: December 17, 2014

TITLE: Transferring Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS (HOPWA)

Housing Units and Amending Broward House Contract

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission accept the Community Services Board (CSB) recommendation and authorize the transfer of the Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS HOPWA units (seven-unit apartment and a single family home) from the Housing Authority of City of Fort Lauderdale (HACFL) to Broward House to continue to operate Project Based Rent (PBR) Program, subject to execution of a new 10 year Restrictive Covenant and such other necessary and proper documents as may be required by the City Attorney. Additionally, it is recommended that the City Commission extend Broward House's 2013-2014 HOPWA agreement allowing them to expend their remaining funds for the PBR Program and to authorize additional funds in the amount of \$49,500.

Background

In 2006, the City used HOPWA funds to acquire two properties that were transferred to the HACFL, along with a restrictive covenant (see Exhibit 2). The restrictive covenant requires that these properties be used for HOPWA eligible activities for 10 years, if not then the properties would revert back to the City.

On June 11, 2014 the HACFL advised the City that their focus has changed and it is their belief that the HOPWA participants would be better served if they returned the properties to the City (see Exhibit 1).

Housing and Community Development staff solicited applications from the existing HOPWA agencies in order to see if there was any interest to own (or lease) and operate these HOPWA properties. Two agencies submitted proposals, and on November 17, 2014 CSB met reviewed and scored the applications. The highest ranked agency was Broward House and followed by Broward Regional Health Planning Council.

On July 1, 2014, the City Commission approved HOPWA awards for FY 2014-2015. Broward House was awarded \$3,256,233.27 for Fiscal Year 2014-2015. Based on the budget for the housing units being transferred from the Housing Authority, Broward

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House will need an additional \$49,600 to operate these housing units. These funds are available from the HOPWA FY 2012-2013 Uncommitted Funds.

Resource Impact

These are federal funds and have no impact on the General Fund. The City is requesting allocation of HOPWA FY 2012-2013 Uncommitted Funds.

FUNDS AVAILABILITY LOCATION:

Funds available as of December 9, 2014								
ACCOUNT NUMBER/ INDEX CODE	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	AMOUNT			
108-HP13TBD-8001	HOPWA FY12/13 UNCOMMITTED FUNDS	Grant Service/Program Funds	\$49,600.00	\$1,291,431.27	\$49,600.00			
			AMENDMENT TOTAL ► 49,600.00		49,600.00			

FUNDS ALLOCATED TO:

ACCOUNT NUMBER/ INDEX CODE	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	AMOUNT
108-HPTBD-8001	Broward House	Grant Service/Program Funds	\$49,600.00	\$49,600.00	\$49,600.00
			AMENDMENT	TOTAL ▶	\$49,600.00

Strategic Connections

This item corresponds to the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, it is included within the **Neighborhood Enhancement Cylinder of Excellence**, specifically advancing **Neighborhood Enhancement**:

- **Goal 5:** Be a community of strong, beautiful, and healthy neighborhoods.
- Option 2: Ensure a range of housing options for current and future neighbors.

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale Vision Plan 2035: We are community.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Email from HACFL dated June 11, 2014

Exhibit 2 - Restrictive Covenant

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